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Title: SYSTEM, METHOD, AND SOFTWARE FOR INSERTING HYPERLINKS
INTO DOCUMENTSAMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on September 19, 2002. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from December 19, 2002 to Tuesday, January 21, 2003. (January 19th falls on Sunday, and January 20th is a federal holiday.)

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of previously pending claims 1-6, 14, 15, 17, 21, 23, 29, 30, and 41, and addition of new claims 50-61. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

1. (Thrice Amended) A method of automatically inserting hyperlinks into a document, comprising:

receiving one or more documents;

searching one or more documents for content having one or more predefined forms, with the predefined forms defined prior to receiving the one or more documents;

automatically marking one or more portions of one or more of the searched documents based on results of searching the one or more documents for content having one or more of the predefined forms; and